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BASED ON TRANSMISSION BIT RATE, MOTION,
AND/OR REGION INFORMATION, AND BIT SELECTION
BEFORE COMPRESSION BASED ON TRANSMISSION
BIT RATE (As Amended)

LETTER TO CORRECT OFFICIAL RECORDS

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

DEC 07 2004

Sir:

In reviewing the above-identified application file upon allowance, it has come to the undersigned's attention that the Notice of Allowance contains an error in the title of the invention. The title was previously amended in our April 14, 2004 Reply.

Kindly change the Title of Invention from "IMAGE ENCODING DEVICE" to --IMAGE COMPRESSION OF SELECTED REGIONS BASED ON TRANSMISSION BIT RATE, MOTION, AND/OR REGION INFORMATION, AND BIT SELECTION BEFORE COMPRESSION BASED ON TRANSMISSION BIT RATE--

Please correct all relevant records and forward confirmation to the undersigned attorney as soon as possible.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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LETTER REQUESTING INITIALED PTO 1449 FORM

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Sir:

In reviewing the above-captioned application file upon allowance, the undersigned has noted that acknowledgement was not received for the PTO 1449 form filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on August 2, 2004.

Accordingly, a copy of the unacknowledged PTO 1449 form is attached hereto. The Examiner is respectfully requested to return the initialed form to the undersigned as soon as possible.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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